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<u>REMARKS</u>

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Applicants thank the Examiner for the telephonic interview of August 9, 2006 where claims 38, 50, and JP 5264871, and US 6,921,920 was discussed.

Summary of Claim Amendments

Claims 38 and 50 have been amended to correct a typographical error. In particular, claims 38 and 50 have been amended to omit the second recitation of "matching." As amended, claims 38 and 50 recite "said light-receiving end matching the size and shape of the light-emitting region."

CONCLUSION

Applicants believe that the claims as amended are in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conversation with Applicants' attorney would expedite allowance of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (617) 526-9617.

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